

## THE FIRE FIEND.

## Mrs. O. S. Warren's House Scorched on Saturday Night.

Mrs. O. S. Warren and family went to see the "Jolly Old Chums" last Saturday evening and while they were at the show the house caught fire and was damaged considerably before the flames were extinguished.

When Mrs. Warren left the house she left a lamp burning in the bath room on the wash stand. As the fire seemed to have caught in that room it is supposed that the lamp exploded. The fire must have been burning for some little time before it was discovered as it had gained considerable headway before the alarm was given.

The firemen responded, as usual, with alacrity and it was but a very short time before the fire was out. G. W. Bailey hurried to Morrill hall and informed Mrs. Warren of the fire. She immediately left the hall and about this time some one cried "Fire!" and in an instant half the people in the hall were on their feet.

Sheriff Laird, who was in the hall, told the people to keep their seats as the fire was out. This timely assurance undoubtedly prevented a panic and but few left their seats. Three of the members of the troupe were singing a song at the time and they kept on as though nothing had happened. The audience had not noticed the alarm of fire at all.

About as much damage was caused by water as was caused by the fire which was confined to the northwest corner of the house. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

This was the second time that Mrs. Warren's house has been on fire and the second time that the Silver City firemen saved the house from destruction.

One of the biggest floods of the season came down last Friday evening about 8 o'clock. Soon after dark it commenced to rain in the mountains and the light rain was followed in a few minutes by a heavy fall of hail, after which it rained at intervals during the night. The flood down Main and Hudson streets was almost as high as the biggest floods last summer. Most of the work which has been done on the streets during the month was washed out, leaving the streets in about the same condition as they were at the end of the summer. A flood at this season of the year is something of rare occurrence here. The dance which was to be given by the social club had to be postponed on account of the flood which made the streets impassable for several hours.

A very important agreement was consummated last week between Mr. J. C. Stout, of the Champion G. M. & M. Co. and Belser & Conaboy, of the Flying

Dutchman mine, by which the latter parties undertake to divert and continue the Champion tunnel to their vein, a distance of over 200 feet. There is no question but that the completion of this project will open up an immensely valuable and productive territory to practical and economical working, and in the long run will prove as beneficial to one party as to the other.—Sierra County Advocate.

Laizure & Grabe are putting the windows in the Episcopal church this week. The glass is wine color and is finished on one side with a rough surface which makes the effect very pleasing to the eye. It is expected that the windows and doors will be finished by the last of this week when the church will be ready for occupation.

A new time table will go into effect on the Santa Fe next Sunday. The time of the local train, it is understood, will not be changed but the trains on the main line will be run on a schedule similar to the one in effect before the present time table was put into effect.

Building at Mogollon continues and most of the structures now in process of erection are nearing completion. When these buildings are completed Mogollon will be one of the most substantially built mining towns in the territory.

The average monthly receipts of freight at this point for the past few months have been over a million pounds. This is pretty good for a town of 2500 inhabitants, and does not indicate that times are as hard as they might be.

New students are being enrolled at the normal school steadily. The school now has a larger attendance than the university of New Mexico at Albuquerque and it has only been in session a few weeks. The normal is a success.

## New Mexico Apples in California.

Some time ago Steele & Crait, fruit dealers of North Ontario, Cal., wrote to George D. Jones, of this city, asking him if he could handle California apples. He replied that he could not and sent them about 30 pounds of apples grown here as a sample of New Mexico fruit. The apples were grown by J. Entzminger on the Perrault ranch near Georgetown. A few days ago he received the following letter which speaks for itself:

NORTH ONTARIO, Cal.,  
October 25, 1894.

Mr. G. D. Jones,  
Silver City, N. M.  
Dear Sir:

The apples came to hand in due time and must say that we never saw such fruit even in the east, and the fruit business has been our exclusive calling for some years. We held a sort of matinee for two days and our only exhibit was apples grown in New Mexico. Some few of our envious California fruit growers said that you were giving us a "little fill" but we assured them that they were honestly New Mexico grown. Truly, Mr. Jones, they were marvellous fruit sent to a place devoted to fruit growing. Please accept our thanks. We will remember you when our fancy navels come in.

Yours truly,

STEELE & CRAIT.

P. S. Our wives say to tell you they were as good as they looked.

## Good for the Blues.

The entertainment at Morrill hall last Saturday evening was one which will long be remembered by the lovers of mirth of this city. "The Jolly Old Chums" were funny fellows and no mistake. They kept the audience, which filled Morrill hall completely, in a good humor for two hours, during a considerable portion of which time the listeners were convulsed with laughter. The troupe is one of the best which has visited Silver City for some time.

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